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- 1. COMMISSION MEETING HAD BEEN SCHEDULED TO OPEN SEPTEMBER 9 BUT WAS NOT CALLED INTO SESSION UNTIL SEPTEMBER 11. AGENDA WAS FINALLY REVISED TO EXCLUDE PENDING INDUSTRIAL PROGRAM PROPOSALS (I.E. PETROCHEMICAL, FERTILIZER AND AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRIES.) AND CONCENTRATED ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY ON ANDEAN FOREIGN INVESTMENT CODE.
- 2. JUNTA HAD PREPARED ANALYSIS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF DECI-SION 24 IN THE MEMBER COUNTRIES. SINCE CHILE HAD INSISTED THAT DISCUSSION COVER IMPLEMENTATION PROBLEMS IN ALL SIX COUNTRIES, CHILEAN DELEGATION WAS DISMAYED THAT NINE PAGES OUT OF ELEVEN PAGE JUNTA REPORT DEALT EXCLUSIVELY WITH CHILEAN DECREE LAW 600.

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- 3. JUNTA ALSO PRESENTED RECOMMENDATION ON HOW TO RESOLVE CHILEAN PROBLEM. REPORTEDLY, IT CALLED ON CHILE TO CLARIFY LEGALITY OF DECISION 24 IN CHILE. SECONDLY, IT REPORTEDLY RECOMMENDED AN AMPLIFICATION OF ART. 19 OF DECREE LAW 600 TO STATE SPECIFICALLY THAT DECISION 24 WOULD BE APPLIED IN CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS. CHILEANS REPORTEDLY AGREED THAT THEIR GOVERNMENT WOULD STUDY AND CONSIDER THESE RECOMMENDATIONS.
- 4. DURING EVENING SESSION SEPTEMBER 12 DISCUSSION AGAIN DETERIORATED INTO DIRECT ATTACKS ON CHILEAN LAW. AT 9:00 P.M. CHILEANS WALKED OUT OF MEETING. ON SEPTEMBER 13 CHILEANS MADE BILATERAL CONTACTS WITH NATIONAL DELEGATIONS. AT NOON THEY HAD A LENGTHY MEETING WITH PERU'S INTEGRATION CHIEF. PERU HAS REPORTEDLY BEEN RATHER RESTRAINED IN ATTACKS ON CHILEAN POSITION.
- 5. COMMENT: POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT CHILEANS WILL REJOIN COMMISSION SESSION LATE SEPTEMBER 13. SITUATION REMAINS TENSE, BUT WITHDRAWAL OF CHILE FROM ANDEAN PACT NOT ANTI-CIPATED.

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